

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-32 are pending. Claims 10-13, 17-19, 24, and 27 have been withdrawn from consideration.

Claim 20 has been amended to indicate that the building includes the storage space of claim 1. It is respectfully submitted that it is clear how a building can include a storage space. Moreover, all reference to a "house" has been eliminated from the claims, ending any potential confusion with the word "housing." Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the rejection of claim 20 under 35 U.S.C. §112, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph be withdrawn.

In the action mailed September 9, 2003, the drawings were objected to under 37 C.F.R. §1.83(a). It is respectfully submitted that the objection is improper.

The objection contends that element 222, as shown in FIG. 4, must be shown in FIG. 3. See page 3 of the action mailed September 9, 2003, first full paragraph of text. However, the specification sets forth that bottle rack 200 houses bottle cradles 220 (rather than bottle cradles 120). See page 3, line 20 of the specification. Bottle cradles 220 are generally solid, shelf-like extensions that include an **upward facing concavity 222**. See page 3, line 20-22.

It is respectfully submitted that since concavity 222 is upward facing, concavity 222 is properly omitted from the diagrammatic view of bottle rack 200 shown in FIG. 3. Hence, the objection is improper and should be withdrawn.

Finally, it has come to applicant's attention that the Examiner's initials are missing from applicant's copy of page 2 of the PTO Form-1449 filed on February 11, 2002 with the application. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner initial page 2 of the PTO Form-1449 and return a copy of the initialed form to the applicant.

Applicant apologizes for not noticing the omission previously.

A Notice of Appeal and Appeal Brief are submitted herewith.

The present amendment is submitted in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.116, which after final rejection permits entry of amendments placing the claims in better form

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for consideration on appeal. Since the present amendment does not require any further consideration and/or search and since it places the claims in better form for appeal by reducing the number of issues on appeal, it is respectfully requested that the present amendment be entered.

Respectfully submitted,

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